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Serial No. : 10/804,993 : Confirmation No. 8936  
Applicant : Kurt Amplatz, et al.  
Filed : March 19, 2004  
TC/A.U. : 3731  
Examiner : Foster, Marlee Christine  
  
Our Docket No. : 20030372.ORI  
Customer No. : 23595

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Commissioner for Patents  
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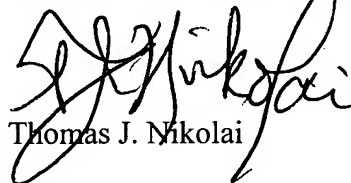
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Also enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$400.00 to cover the charge for excess claims fees.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 08-1265. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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### Complete if Known

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First Named Inventor Kurt Amplatz  
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)  
50

Small Entity Fee (\$)  
25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200

100

Multiple dependent claims

360

180

Total Claims 36 - 20 or HP = 16 x 25.00 = 400.00

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims 3 - 3 or HP = 0 x 0 = 0

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

Multiple Dependent Claims  
Fee (\$)  
Fee Paid (\$)

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Fees Paid (\$)

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the second, but non-final Action of February 26, 2007, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

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